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SUBJECT: LOCAL PRESS COVERAGE OF DAS ARA JOHN BUSHNELL'S
JUNE 27 TESTIMONY

1. FOLLOWING IS TRANSLATION PERTINENT PORTION OF STORY
IN JUNE 28 LA PRENSA ON DAS JOHN BUSHNELL'S SUBCOMMITTEE
TESTIMONY. OTHER DAILIES DID NOT CARRY. LA PRENSA STORY
CARRIES WASHINGTON JUNE 27 AFP AND AP DATELINE.

2. BEGIN TEXT: THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE WILL ENCOURAGE
ALL EFFORTS TO PRODUCE AN AGREEMENT ON THE LIMITATION OF
ARMS IN LATIN AMERICA, THE DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF
STATE FOR LATIN AMERICAN AFFAIRS, JOHN BUSHNELL, STATED
YESTERDAY. MEXICO--THE OFFICIAL SAID--WILL TRY TO HAVE
THE LATIN AMERICAN FOREIGN MINISTERS, MEETING HER IN THE
OAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY, CONCLUDE AN AGREEMENT INSPIRED BY
THE AYACUCHO DECLARATION, WHOSE SIGNATORIES PROMISED TO
LIMIT BY MUTUAL AGREEMENT THEIR ARMS PURCHASES. THE
VOLUME OF ARMS REQUESTS TO THE US FROM LATIN AMERICA HAS
DECLINED TO A SURPRISING DEGREE IN RECENT YEARS,
BUSHNELL ASSURED. HE ADDED: 'AT THE END OF FY 1977,
THE TOTAL OF NORTH AMERICAN ARMS SALES TO COUNTRIES OF
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THE REGION WAS ESTIMATED AT \$516 MILLION AND THE VALUE OF
ARMS DELIVERED WAS \$217 MILLION. DURING THE SAME PERIOD,
COMMUNIST COUNTRIES PROVIDED ARMS TO LATIN AMERICA FOR A
VALUE OF 400 MILLION, WHILE OTHER WESTERN COUNTRIES HAD
SALES TALLING \$350 MILLION.' END TEXT.

3. BALANCE OF ARTICLE DEALT IN ROUTINE WAY WITH OASGA

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